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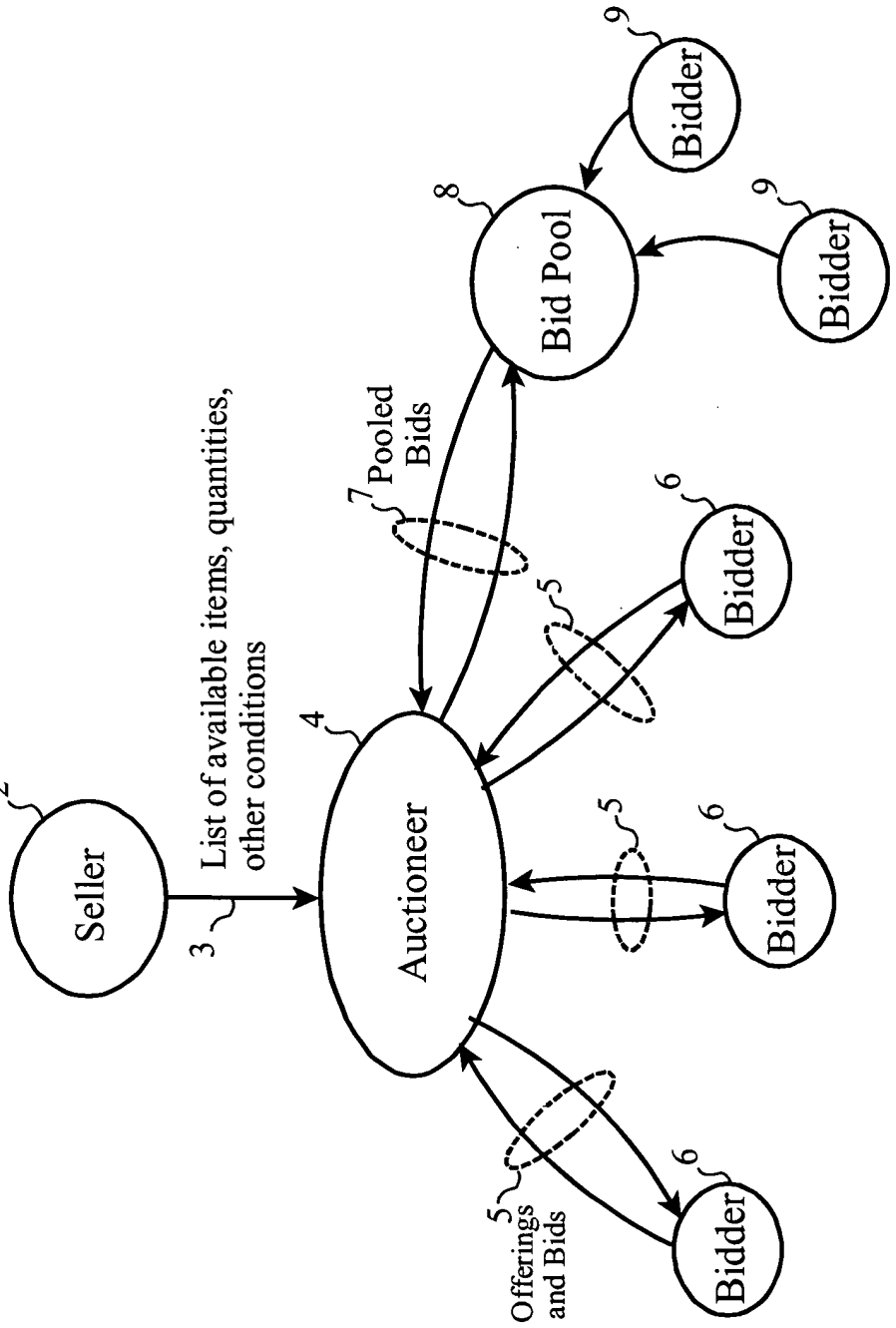

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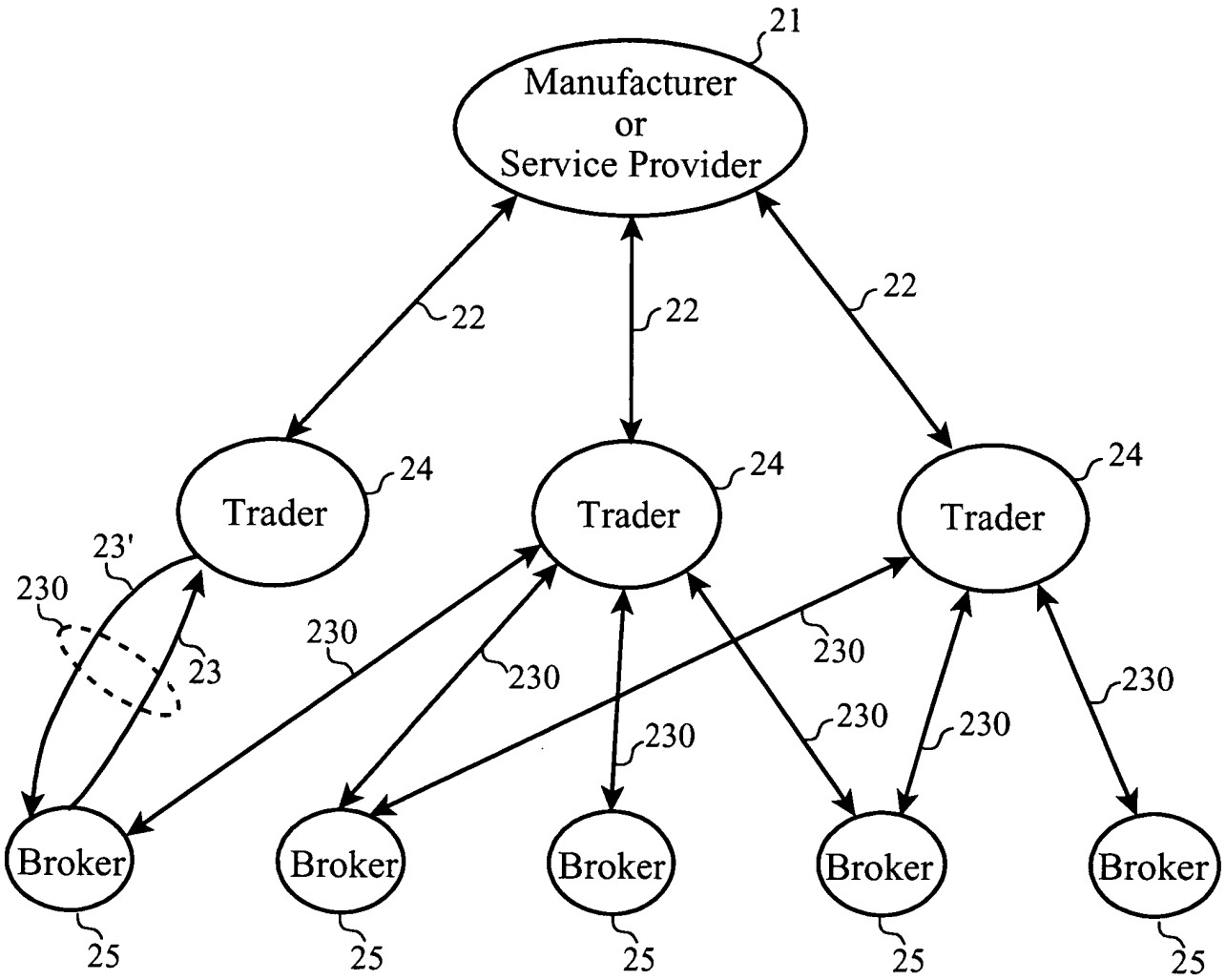

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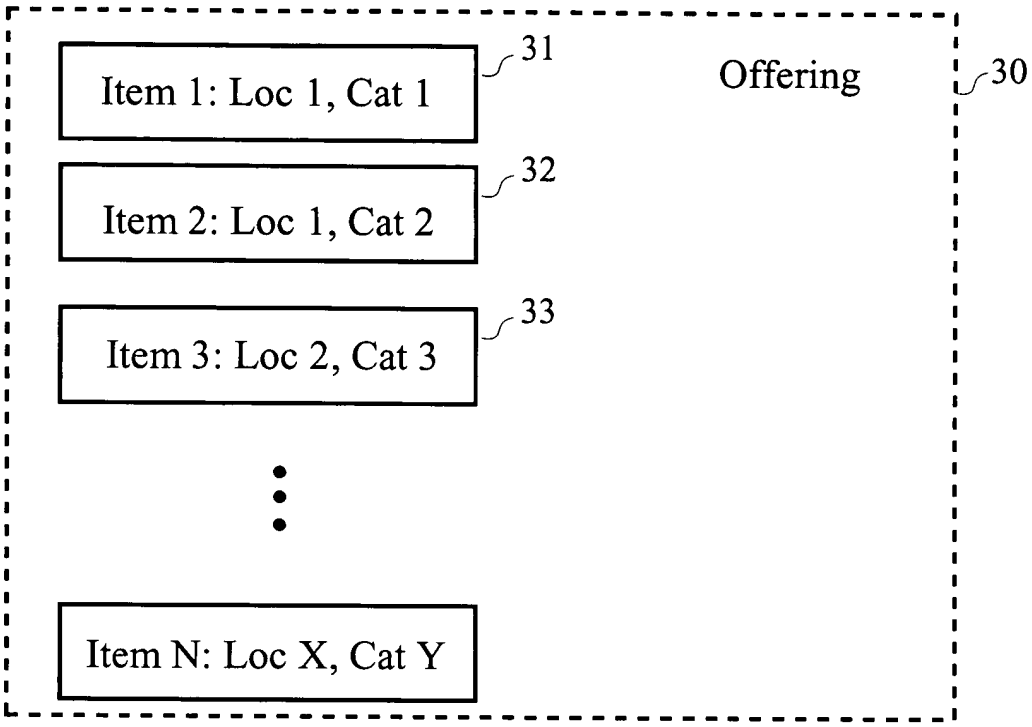

Figure 3

Enhanced Broker Profile Matrix

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	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	•••	Category Y
Location 1	YR	YR	N		YR
Location 2	N	N	N		N
Location 3	YR	N	N		N
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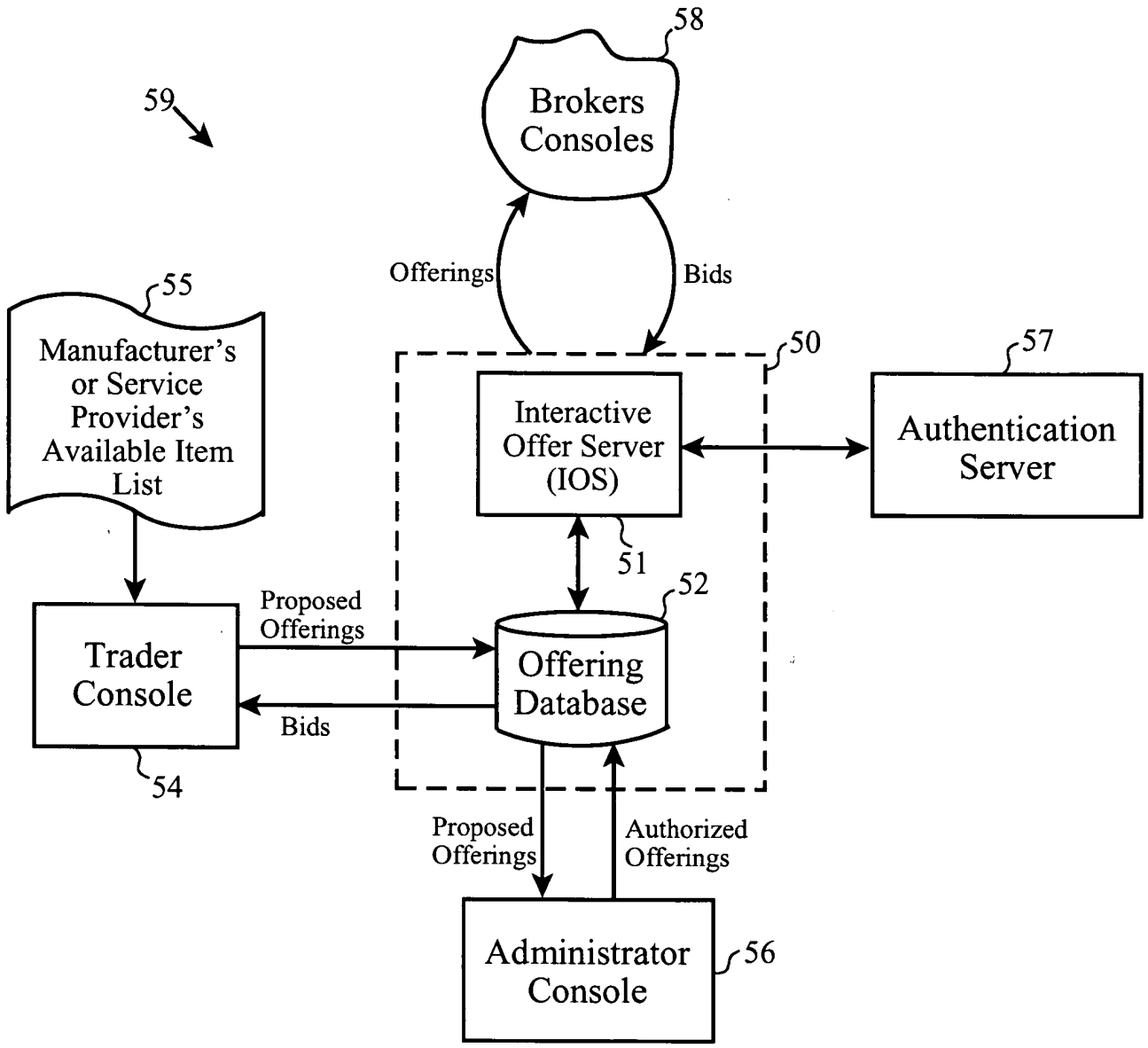
Location X	N	N	N		N

Figure 4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Brokers Consoles
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Offerings
Bids
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Manufacturer's or Service Provider's Available Item List
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Interactive Offer Server (IOS)
Authentication Server
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Proposed Offerings
Trader Console
Offering Database
Bids
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Proposed Offerings
Authorized Offerings
Administrator Console
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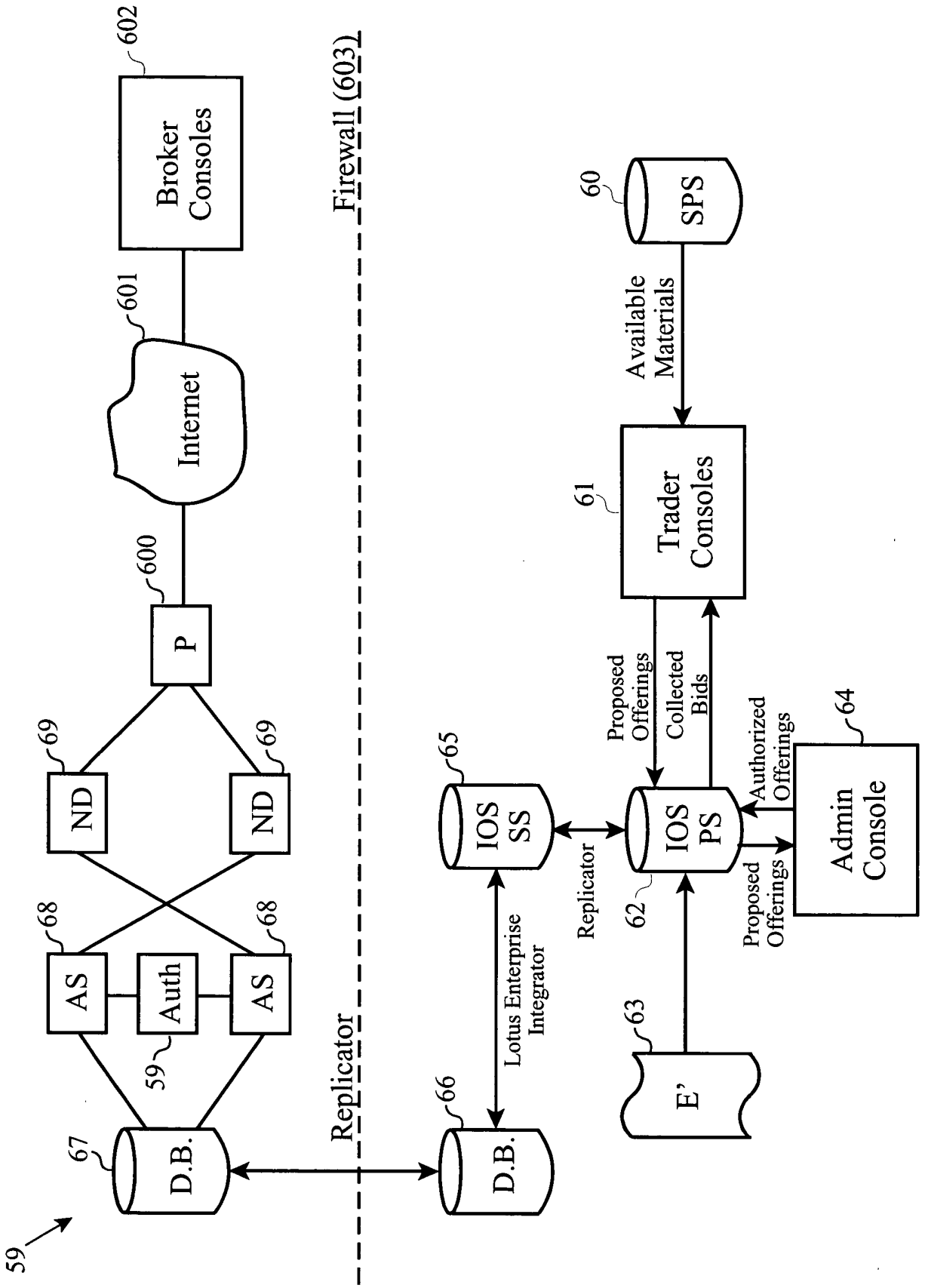
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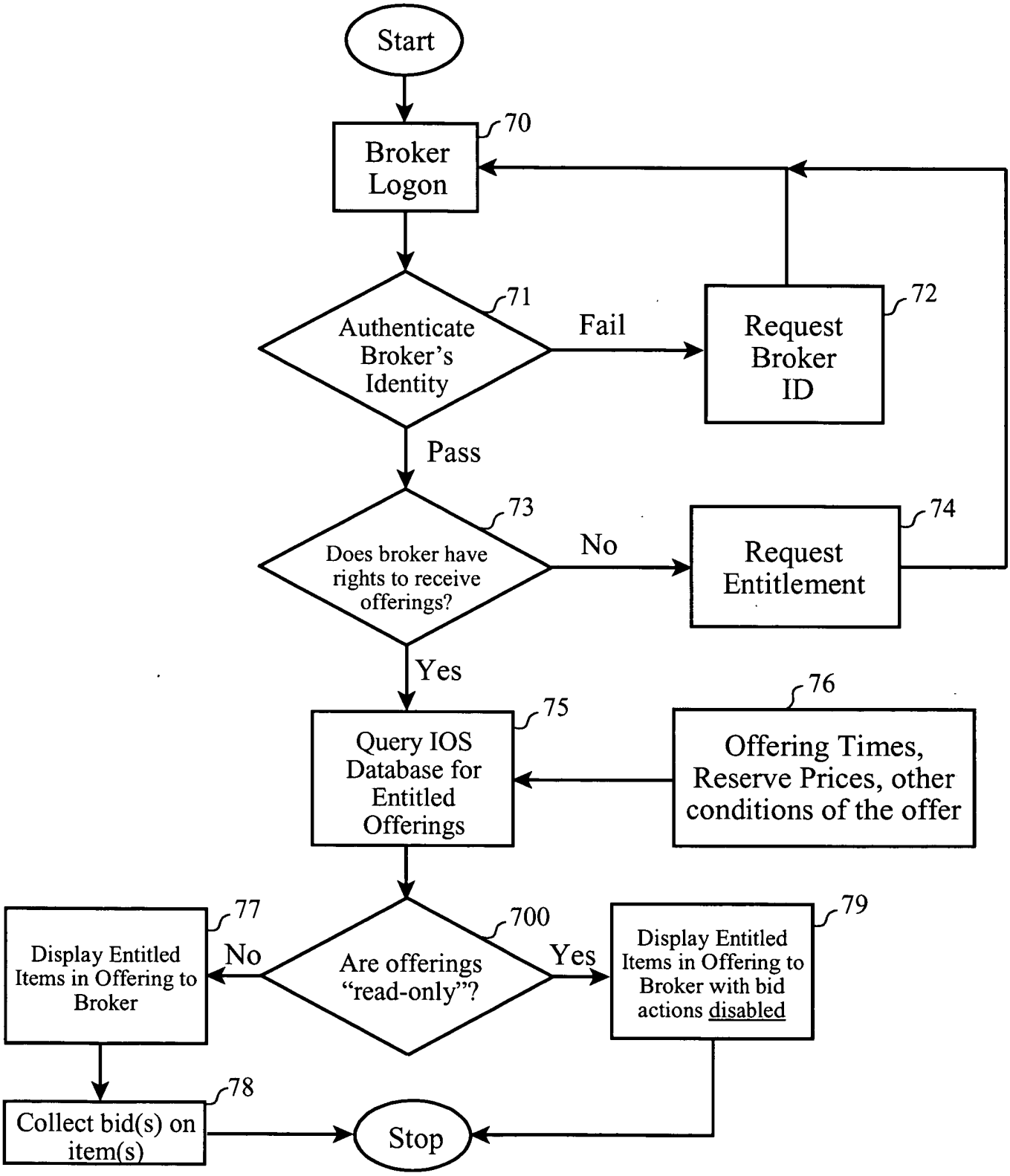
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Broker Logon
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Authenticate Broker's Identity
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Fail
Request Broker ID
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Pass
Does broker have rights to receive offerings?
73
No
Request Entitlement
74
Yes
Query IOS Database for Entitled Offerings
75
Offering Times, Reserve Prices, other conditions of the offer
76
Are offerings "read-only"?
700
No
Display Entitled Items in Offering to Broker
77
Yes
Display Entitled Items in Offering to Broker with bid actions disabled
79
Collect bid(s) on item(s)
78
Stop

Figure 7